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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2002 and having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on September 4, 2002. A Petition for a one-month extension of time along with authorization to charge the fee for same to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 is filed concurrently herewith, thereby extending the period for response to October 4, 2002. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Central lumen 250 is defined by outer jacket 256 that may be formed of any biocompatible material that may be etched, such as polyethylene glycol or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) or a similar material. The outer jacket may be treated with a material to prevent tissue in-growth. For example, the outer jacket may be coated with a porous Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) layer such as may be formed of expanded PTFE (e-PTFE) having a pore size of less than 10 microns or smaller. This is described in U.S. Patent 5,609,622.--

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